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SUBJECT: DOMINICAN FUGITIVE JOSE SIME REYES EXTRADITED TO
U.S.

¶1. On March 3, 2006, U.S. Marshals returned Jose Sime Reyes to the United States for trial in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, where he is the subject of indictment number 03-475 filed October 23, 2003. As detailed in the indictment, Sime Reyes is alleged to have participated in the importation and distribution of kilogram quantities of MDMA from Europe into New York, Miami, and Orlando, Florida.

¶2. Following the December 15, 2004, issuance of a Dominican arrest warrant based on a U.S. Government request for extradition, Sime Reyes was apprehended in the fall of 2005 by officers of the Dominican National Directorate for Drug Control's Fugitive Unit. After a series of hearings, Sime Reyes was ultimately judged extraditable by the Criminal Chamber of the Dominican Supreme Court. His extradition was properly confirmed by presidential decree.

¶3. Sime Reyes is the 13th fugitive extradited to the United States during FY-2006 and the 3rd extradited during this calendar year.

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